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Note by the Secretariat

Addendum

International Space Year, 1992: participation of Greece

1. As part of its contribution to International Space Year (ISY), the Government of Greece organized an interdisciplinary Seminar devoted to Space Applications and International Cooperation, which took place at the Eugenides Foundation on 2 April 1992. The Eugenides Foundation, an institution founded for the promotion of modern technology development in Greece through research and educational programmes, will host most of the activities.

2. The Seminar included lectures by:

(a) The Director of the United Nations Information Centre for Greece, Israel and Cyprus, Mr. A. Wüstenhagen, who spoke on the United Nations activities related to outer space;

(b) The Minister of the Merchant Marine, Mr. A. Pavlidis, who presented his Ministry's areas of interest in space applications;

(c) The Representative of Greece to the International Maritime Satellite Organization (INMARSAT), Mr. G. Rorris, who spoke as well on behalf of the Hellenic Telecommunications Organization and presented the current status of satellite telecommunications in Greece;

(d) Commander P. Havatzopoulos, of the Telecommunications and Electronics Division of the Ministry of the Merchant Marine, who spoke on satellite-assisted search-and-rescue operations;

(e) The General Secretary of the Hellenic Society of Air and Space Law, Mr. V. Cassapoglou, who discussed the legal aspects of space applications;

(f) The National Coordinator for United Nations activities related to ISY, Professor M. Moutsoulas, who presented an overview of the space activities and the actions planned.

3. The Minister of Education, Mr. G. Souflias, sent a message to the Seminar outlining his Ministry's involvement in ISY and the assistance given in conducting the United Nations essay competition among high school pupils.